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RSCO School Choice How-To Guidebook: for Parents

Welcome! To find specific topics, please navigate using the menu on this page. To speak to someone on the phone, please call us at (860) 713-6990.

Welcome to Greater Hartford Region School Choice!

This guidebook will assist families with the following steps - click each button to advance to each step.

STEP 1: Creating an Account

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Dashboard**

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an Application**

**EXTRA INFORMATION:
Understanding Priorities**

Step 1: Creating an Account



Log In

Creating a Login is the first step to setting up your account.

You can do that here:



RSCO School Choice

Help English Login

Welcome to Greater Hartford Region School Choice!

Empowering Families to DREAM, DISCOVER AND DECIDE their Future

Connecticut families, you have a choice! We invite you to GET STARTED and explore the incredible learning options available to your children in the Greater Hartford Region from prekindergarten through 12th grade through the Regional School Choice Office (RSCO).

The 2022-23 RSCO Application opens on November 8, 2021 and will close on January 31, 2022. Visit the [Virtual Fair website](#) for information about school choice programs, search schools by grade and theme, attend virtual school events, view school videos and attend virtual school tours OR go to [choiceeducation.org](#) for the most up to date information on RSCO school choice.

Create an account to explore your options and apply.

[Get Started](#)

Already have an account? [Log in here.](#)

Help Contact

CSOE Connecticut Regional School Choice Office

Username + Password

First, you'll be asked to create a username and password. **Your username must be a valid Email address.** You'll receive an Email at that address with a link. Click on the link to verify your account.

Welcome to the RSCO School Choice Application!

Create Your Account

Let's get started by setting up your Enrollwise account to create your RSCO School Choice application. It won't take long. You will need a valid email address to get started.

This will be your username and login. Do you need help creating an email address? We have information to help you [here](#)

Must be at least 8 characters

Next >

Already did this? [Log in here](#)

Guardian Profile

After creating your Account, you'll be asked to create your Guardian Profile.

Welcome Lisa! You are now ready to start your RSCO Application!

We have a few questions for you before you start selecting your schools and programs. All fields are required unless marked as optional.

1 Guardian

Lisa O'Neill
ascrivener-2@blenderbox.com

2 Contact Info

What is the best phone number where we can reach you? (Please provide a cell phone number if you would like us to contact you by texts).

(555) 555-5555

Which type of phone is this?
 Cell

6 Household

What is the highest degree a parent/ guardian residing in the home has earned?
High school diploma or equivalency (GED)

How many people are currently living in your household, including adults and children?
5

How many of the total residents in your household are children under the age of 17, including the student applicant(s)?
2

7 Language

We offer all of our communications in 2 languages. Which language do you prefer?
 English
 Español

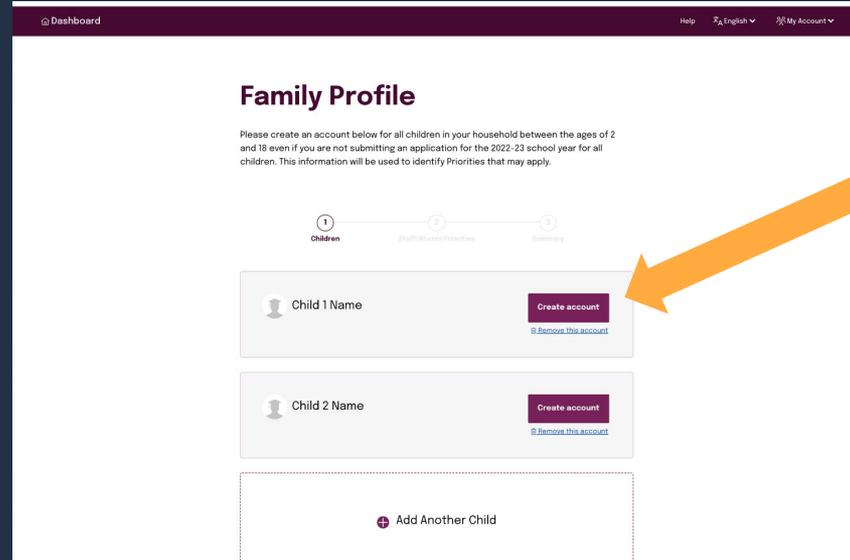
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Step 2: Family Profile



Child Accounts

After creating your Guardian Profile, you'll be asked to create accounts for all children ages 2-18 in your household. Be sure to create a profile for every child whether or not they are applying, including those currently enrolled in Magnet, Open Choice, and CTECS schools. This information will be used to identify enrolled sibling priorities.



The screenshot shows a web application interface for creating a family profile. At the top, there is a dark purple navigation bar with 'Dashboard' on the left, and 'Help', 'English', and 'My Account' on the right. The main content area is white and titled 'Family Profile'. Below the title is a paragraph of instructions: 'Please create an account below for all children in your household between the ages of 2 and 18 even if you are not submitting an application for the 2022-23 school year for all children. This information will be used to identify Priorities that may apply.' A progress indicator shows three steps: '1 Children', '2 Staff/Student Profiles', and '3 Summary'. The 'Children' step is active. Below this, there are two card-like forms for 'Child 1 Name' and 'Child 2 Name'. Each card has a 'Create account' button in a purple box and a 'Remove this account' link in blue. A large orange arrow points to the 'Create account' button for 'Child 1 Name'. At the bottom, there is a dashed box containing an 'Add Another Child' button with a plus icon.

Account Set-Up

Next, you'll be asked a series of questions about each child such as their name, grade level, and date of birth. You will also select their current school and grade, which will automatically generate the grade they are entering in for the 2022-23 school year. Be sure to include this information to make sure we identify all of your priorities.

Please contact RSCO at (860) 713-6990 if you have any trouble finding your child's school or adding the correct grade.

Let's add a new Student to your account, Ed!

We need some information for the placement process. Please answer all fields unless it is marked optional.

- Student's Name**

What is the student's full, legal name?

Student's first name

Student's last name

If you know that it digital Student ID#s, enter it here. If you don't, don't worry. This ID number can usually be found on your child's report card.

Student ID#s (optional)
- Birth Date**

What is your child's birth date?

Month Day Year
- Gender Identity**

What gender does this student identify as?

Select an option
- Residential Address**

Where does your child currently reside?

They reside with me at 450 Columbus Blvd, Hartford

They reside at a different address
- Race/Ethnicity**

Is your child Hispanic/Latino? ⓘ

Yes

No

Which race(s) do they most closely identify as?
Select as many as apply.

Select an option
- Current School**

Is the child currently enrolled in a CT school (e.g. Public, magnet, private/parochial, Open Choice, and Charter)?

Yes

No

What town is your school located in?

Select an option

Which school do they currently attend?

Select an option
- Add a Secondary Guardian (optional)**

Would you like to add a secondary guardian to receive updates about this child's application?

Yes

No
- Relationship to Child**

What is your relationship to this child?

Select an option
- 2021-2022 Application Year**

Is [child name] applying to a RECO school this year?

Yes

No

Next

Next Step

After completing all accounts for children in your household, you can proceed to the next step: Priorities.

Family Profile

Please create an account below for all children in your household between the ages of 2 and 18 even if you are not submitting an application for the 2022-23 school year for all children. This information will be used to identify Priorities that may apply.

1 Children 2 Staff/Blurred Priorities 3 Summary

Gertrude O'Neill [Edit student profile](#)

DATE OF BIRTH 2005-01-07	SECONDARY GUARDIAN Patrick	CURRENT ENROLLMENT Avon High School 10th Grade
GENDER Female	RELATIONSHIP Guardian	
RACE/ETHNICITY White	RESIDES AT 1306 1/2 State St., New Haven	

Applying for 2022-23? NO

Celia O'Neill [Edit student profile](#)

DATE OF BIRTH 2007-05-08	SECONDARY GUARDIAN Patrick	CURRENT ENROLLMENT Avon Middle School 8th Grade
GENDER Non-Binary	RELATIONSHIP Guardian	
RACE/ETHNICITY White	RESIDES AT 1306 1/2 State St., New Haven	

Applying for 2022-23? YES

[+ Add Another Child](#)

[Next](#)

Priority Determination

Next, you'll be able to add alumni and staff priorities that may give your child priority at certain schools.

Family Profile

Please create an account below for all children in your household between the ages of 2 and 18 even if you are not submitting an application for the 2022-23 school year for all children. This information will be used to identify Priorities that may apply.

Answer the questions below for potential staff and alumni priorities that may apply.

Alumni Priority

Have any of the children in your household had parents, grandparents, or sibil graduated from A.I. Prince, E.C. Goodwin or Howell Cheney Technical High School? (Required)

Yes
 No

[Add Another Alumni Priority](#)

Staff Priority

Do you or a secondary guardian work at a magnet school, a partner university*, A.I. Prince Technical High School, E.C. Goodwin Technical High School, or Howell Cheney Technical High School? (Required)

Yes
 No

*Goodwin University, Trinity College, University of Hartford, MCC, and Capital Community College

[Add Another Staff Priority](#)

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Family Profile Summary

Lastly, this page gives you a summary of each applying child's placement priorities.

If you have questions or do not see an expected priority, please call RSCO at (860) 713-6990 for assistance

Family Profile

Please create an account below for all children in your household between the ages of 2 and 18 even if you are not submitting an application for the 2022-23 school year for all children. This information will be used to identify Priorities that may apply.



1 Children 2 Staff/Alumni Priorities 3 Summary

Please review the following priorities.

Celia's Priorities

- **Staff Priority** at A. I. Prince Technical High School

[Back](#) [Confirm](#)

Editing Child Information

Your child's account details and priorities can always be accessed and edited by selecting "Family Profile" from you Account menu.



Editing Child Information

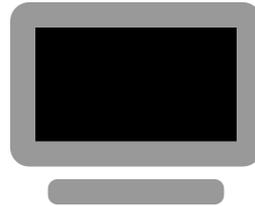
Your child's account details and priorities can always be accessed and edited by selecting "Family Profile" from you Account menu.

From here, you can update a child's address or current grade information before getting started on an application..

Please note that if this information is changed while an application is open, this application will be deleted and reset on the Dashboard, as their eligibility may have changed.



Step 3: Understanding the Dashboard



Child's Application Card

Each child in your account will have their own "Application Card."

This card will show you which application sections your child is eligible to include, their deadlines, as well as the button to Submit your Application when all sections are either completed or opted-out of.

The screenshot shows a user interface for a child's application card. At the top, it displays 'Application ID #: 19949' and a link to 'Edit Child Profile'. The child's name 'Celia O'Neill' and '9th Grade Application' are prominently displayed. Below this, there are two application sections: 'CTECS' with an 'EARLY DEADLINE' of 'January 9, 2022', and 'Magnet Schools' with an 'ON-TIME DEADLINE' of 'January 30, 2022'. Each section has a purple button to proceed ('Continue' for CTECS, 'Get Started' for Magnet Schools) and a white 'Opt-Out' button. At the bottom, there is a grey 'Submit Application' button and a note: 'you must complete or opt-out of all available programs before submitting'.

Application ID #: 19949 [Edit Child Profile](#)

Celia O'Neill
9th Grade Application

CTECS
EARLY DEADLINE
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Continue
Opt-Out

Magnet Schools
ON-TIME DEADLINE
January 30, 2022

Get Started
Opt-Out

Submit Application

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Messaging

If you have any questions regarding your child's application, you can use the Messaging section of the site to send a message to the RSCO Team. The RSCO Team can also send you messages with any questions or follow ups on applications.

If you have an **unread message**, you will see a red dot next to any unread messages. You can click into that unread message to read and reply.



Your Key Dates

No dates yet.



Messages

These are all of your messages to and from RSCO regarding your application.



Create new message



Your Documents

Once documents are created, they will appear here.

Your Documents

Here, you will receive and find documents such as Application receipts and offer letters.



Your Key Dates

No dates yet.



Messages

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Create new message



Your Documents

Once documents are created, they will appear here.

Key Dates

Here, you will receive updates about upcoming deadlines and dates to remember.



Your Key Dates

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Messages

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Create new message



Your Documents

Once documents are created, they will appear here.

Step 4: Navigating through Applications

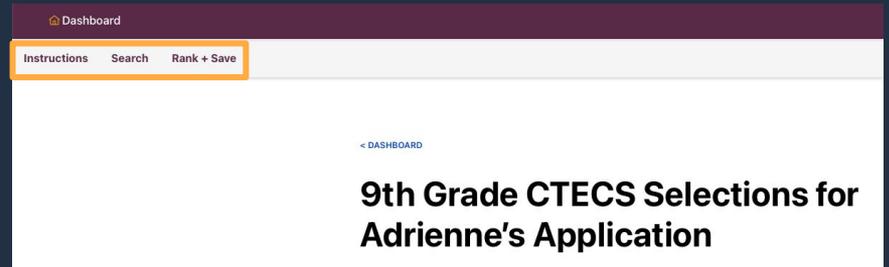
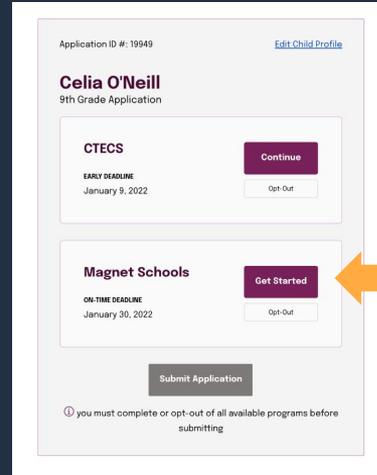


Menu Bar

Click into the **Application Section** from your child's Application Card on the Dashboard.

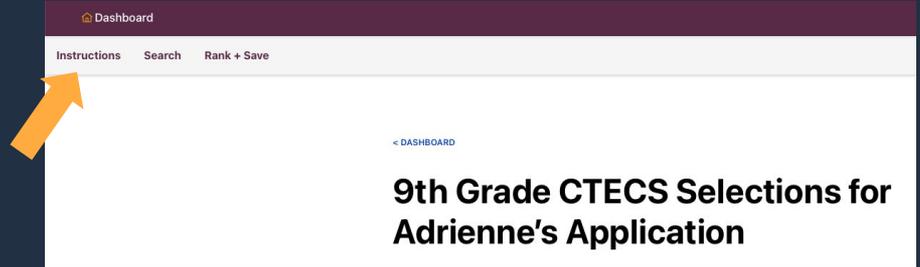
Use the menu bar to move through the application at your own pace. Just be sure to submit your application on your Dashboard before the deadline!

Return to Dashboard at any time to track your progress.



Tab 1: Instructions

This page will provide you with an **overview** of the application section you are currently in.



Tab 2: Search + Select

Searching

Explore schools or districts by clicking on them in the list to expand their card and view any available additional information.

Dashboard

Instructions Search Rank + Save

9th Grade CTECS School Selections for Adrienne's Application

Adrienne resides at:
3 1/2 Byron Ave, CT 06401 [Edit](#)

All three technical schools are included as part of your CTECS application. Search for information about these three technical schools by clicking on the school name. When you are finished exploring, go to RANK + SAVE to rank your order of preference for these schools.

The map indicates the distance of the three technical schools from your child's home. Click on the school name to get more information about the school and its offerings.

E. C. Goodwin Technical High School
735 Slater Rd., New Britain, CT 06053
9th Grade - 12th Grade

A. I. Prince Technical High School
401 Flatbush Ave., Hartford, CT 06106
9th Grade - 12th Grade

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A. I. Prince Technical High School
401 Flatbush Ave., Hartford, CT 06106
9th Grade - 12th Grade

CONTACT
lisa.higgins@ct.gov
860-951-7112

WEBSITE
<http://prince.cttech.org/>

STUDENTS ENROLLED
716

HOURS
7:33 AM to 2:25 PM

SCHOOL UNIFORM
Yes

College and Career Readiness

Technical high schools combine comprehensive high school academics and career technical education to prepare students for immediate productive employment, apprenticeship programs, and postsecondary education.

Overview

Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS) graduates are prepared for working and learning environments that constantly change. By adapting to new standards in emerging technologies, students acquire the necessary skills to succeed in the college classroom and in the workplace. By integrating STEM education into our academics and career technologies, along with guidance from industry leaders, students graduate with industry certifications or licenses, post-secondary certificates or degrees that employers use to make hiring and promotion decisions. These

Tab 2: Search + Select How To Decide

There are a lot of schools, and a lot of information about each school.

Many families consider the daily commute and the school's location to be important factors. Use the map to see a school's location and the distance from your child's home.

Use the filters below the search bar to see only schools that meet certain criteria, such as: schools in a certain town, or schools with a specific theme.

Dashboard

Instructions Search + Select Rank + Save

9th Grade Magnet School Selections for Adrienne's Application

Adrienne resides at:
7 1/2 Coach Dr, CT 06489 [Edit](#)

Search using the filters below (theme, grades, town, enrollment) or here by school name

Magnet Theme Enrollment Range Grade Range Towns

This page lists the magnet schools that are available to you based on grade and residence. Search and select up to 5 (FIVE) of these magnet schools for your application. When you are finished with your selections, go to RANK + SAVE to rank and save your selections.

The map indicates the distance of the schools listed from your child's home. Click on the school name to get more information and select "Add to Application" to add the school to your list of up to 5 magnet schools. Point the arrow to the (i) icon to get information about past seat availability at the school.

Academy of Science and Innovation 6.14 miles

600 Slater Road, New Britain, CT 06053

6th Grade - 12th Grade

Remove from Application

Tab 2: Search + Select

Priority Flags

Schools where your child has a priority will be flagged. You should rank these schools in your first slot on your application if you wish to take advantage of the priority you have.



You have STAFF priority at this school. Add this school to your application to use this priority.

A. I. Prince Technical High School 

📍 401 Flatbush Ave., Hartford, CT 06106 **30.90 miles**

🎓 9th Grade - 9th Grade

Rank Celia's School Selections

Please rank your school selections in order of preference. You may change the rank order by clicking on the arrows next to the school name or drag and drop the school in the order you prefer. Click the "X" to eliminate the school from your selections.

- 1  Academy of Science and Innovation 
[View Details](#)
- 2 Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School - Full Day 
[View Details](#)
- 3 Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin University 
[View Details](#)

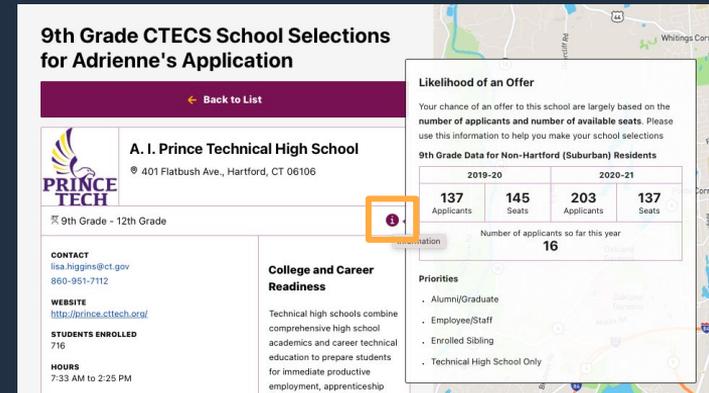
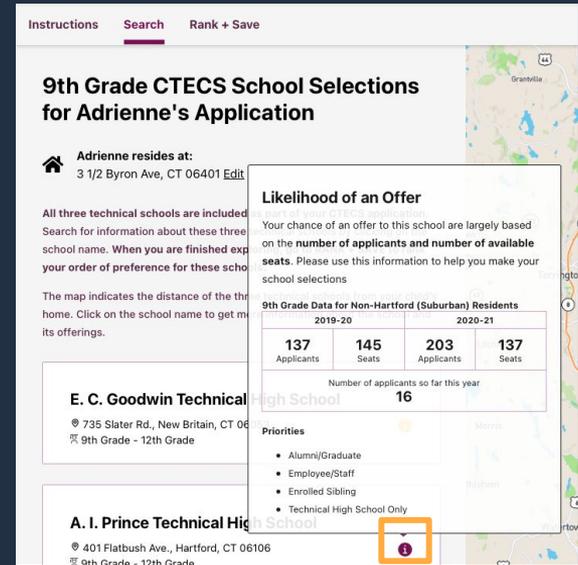
NEXT

[Go Back to Search + Select](#)

Tab 2: Search + Select Likelihood

To better understand a child's chances of getting an offer to each program, **hover on the information icon** next to each program name to learn about the program's demand and find out that child's priority group. **Click or tap on the program for more details.**

In addition to the priority, demand for seats available at the school contributes to your child's likelihood of getting an offer. **Try to save at least a few programs with low demand** and for which you meet a priority qualification. You'll find filters that can help you pick some.

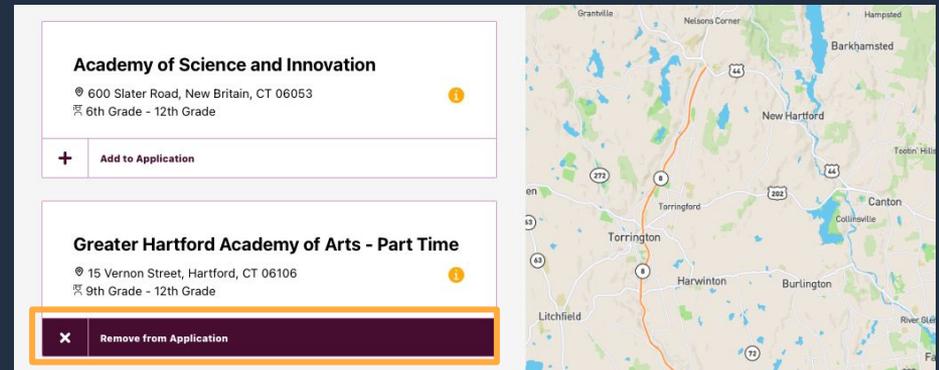
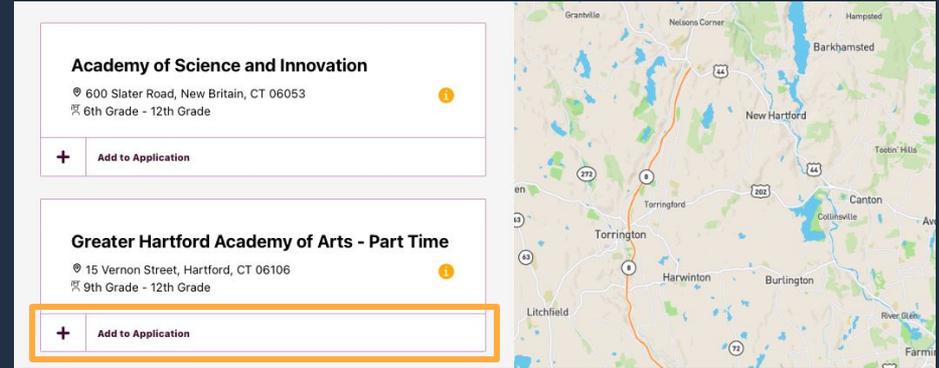


Tab 2: Search + Select

Selecting

When you find a school or district you want to include on your application, use the plus sign (+) next to the text “Add to Application” to add it to your list. You will see the plus turn to an **X**.

If you change your mind, you can use the X to remove this school from your list.



Tab 3: Rank + Save

On the Rank & Save page, you'll rank your choices in the order of your preference. This page will show you the schools or districts you've added to your application.

Drag and drop schools/districts to reorder them. Click on schools in the list to view details in order to make final decisions about how to order your list. It's important to list schools/districts in your true order of preference. Order matters!

Rank Adrienne's School Selections

Please rank the technical schools in order of preference. You may change the rank order by clicking on the arrows next to the schools or drag and drop the school in the order you prefer.

- E. C. Goodwin Technical High School**
[View Details](#)
- A. I. Prince Technical High School**
[View Details](#)
- Howell Cheney Technical High School**
[View Details](#)

Tab 3: Rank + Save

It's also important to apply to 5 schools/districts for Open Choice and Magnet Applications! For CTECS, 3 schools are available for you to rank. Once you've filled up your list, use the 'Next' button below the list to move to the final questions for this application section.

Remember to rank schools where your child has a priority in the first position on your application!

Rank Celia's School Selections

Please rank your school selections in order of preference. You may change the rank order by clicking on the arrows next to the school name or drag and drop the school in the order you prefer. Click the "X" to eliminate the school from your selections.

- 1 Academy of Science and Innovation X
[View Details](#)
- 2 Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts High School - Full Day X
[View Details](#)
- 3 Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin University X
[View Details](#)

NEXT

[Go Back to Search - Select](#)

Step 5: Submitting and Editing an Application



Submitting an Application

Submit Button

Once you have completed each available application section for your child, use the “Submit Application” button to review your choices and submit your application.

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Celia O'Neill
9th Grade Application

CTECS
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Magnet Schools
ON-TIME DEADLINE
January 30, 2022

Submitting an Application Survey

Before continuing, you'll be asked a few questions about your reasons for applying.

Survey Questions for Adrienne

Your application is not submitted yet, but you're almost done! You can return to the application builder at any time to revise your application.

Please complete the following questions

Some schools on your application require answers to these questions.

Have you applied to a choice program through RSCO in the past? **(Required)**

- Yes
 No

Where did you hear about RSCO and/or find any materials about the lottery? (Check all that apply): **(Required)**

Please tell us which magnet themes or school models interest you and your child by choosing as many as three below in the order of your interest: **(Required)**

Second interest

Third interest

Please tell us more about your reasons for submitting a RSCO Application by choosing as many as three below in their order of importance **(Required)**

Second reason

Third reason

Where did you complete this application **(Required)**

Review and Submit my Application >



Submitting an Application Review + Submit

Next, you'll be asked to review your application. At this point, you can return to any application section to make edits if you need to.

[< BACK TO DASHBOARD](#)

🕒 Review Adrienne's Application

Your application is not submitted yet, but you're almost done! Review the information and your list below. You can return to the application builder at any time to revise your application. Once you're ready to submit, click the button at the bottom.

Confirm your application

If you'd like to make any revisions, return to the application builder.

Section 1

CTECS Edit

Status: Saved

1	E. C. Goodwin Tec	1	Civic Leadership High School
2	A. I. Prince Techni	2	Greater Hartford Academy of Arts - Part Time
3	Howell Cheney Te		

Section 2

Magnet Schools

Status: Saved

Confirm the information above, and follow the instructions below to submit.

By checking these boxes, I certify that I have read, understand and agree to the following statements:

- I am the legal parent/guardian of the student applicant and confirm that I am authorized to submit this application (Required)
- I understand that providing false information in any section of the RSCO application will disqualify the application and any offers the student applicant may receive (Required)
- I understand that the information in the application may be shared with RSCO School Choice operators and programs (Required)
- I understand that submitting an application does NOT guarantee a placement offer and does NOT guarantee a placement in a specific school or program (Required)

[Submit Application](#) >

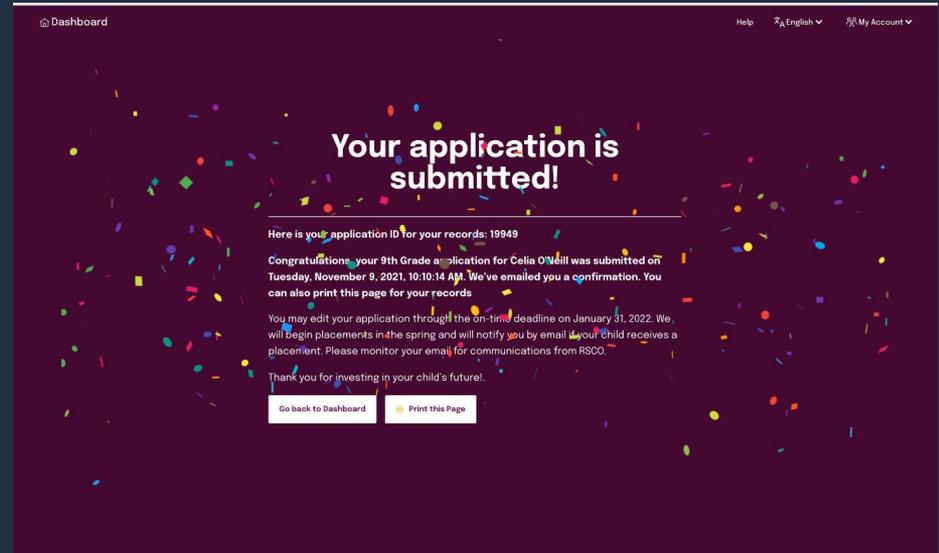
🕒 **Submit by Sunday, February 28, 2021**

You can return to your application to make changes and resubmit it through the application deadline.

Submitting an Application Confetti!

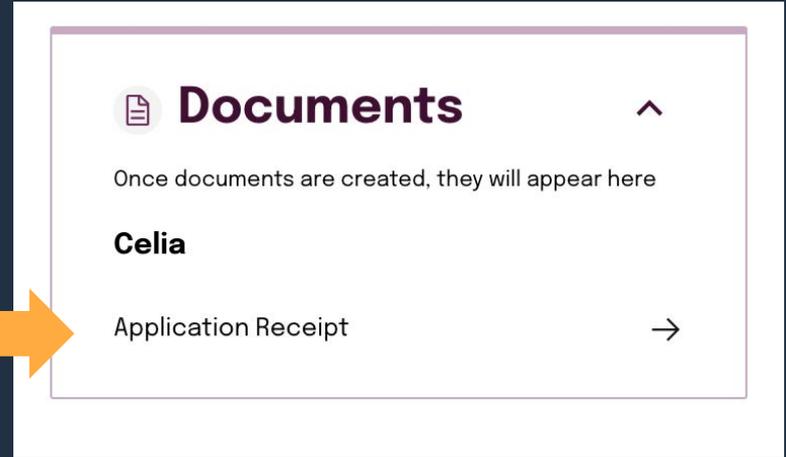
After you review and submit your application, you'll see confetti on your page, which tells you that application is complete! You may print a copy of your application for your records.

Please remember you need to fully complete one application for each child.



PDF Receipt Download

Once an application is submitted, you can access and download a PDF Receipt from the “Documents” section of your Dashboard.



Important Note on Edits

Changing your residential address or your child's grade will reset your application. Your changes will need to be made in the Family Profile. Once you have made your changes, you will need to go back to the dashboard and begin the process over to ensure that you are making the appropriate selections based on your grade and residence.

4 Residential Address

Where does your child currently reside?

They reside with me at 1306 1/2 State St, New Haven

They reside at a different address

4 Residential address

Where do you reside?

1306 1/2 State St, New Haven, 06511, CT

Address is valid!

Apartment, suite, unit, building floor, etc. (optional)

My address is not recognizable, so I have entered a nearby address.*

I am in temporary housing.*

*Temporary housing includes transitional shelters, domestic violence shelters, and families who live with others due to loss of housing or economic hardship.

6 Current School

Is the child currently enrolled in a CT School (e.g. Public, magnet, private/parochial, Open Choice, CTECS, or Charter)?

Yes

No

What is their current school district?

Avon School District

Which School do they currently attend?

Avon Middle School

What is their current grade?

8th Grade

What grade are they applying for?

Please contact RSCD if the correct applying grade for your child is not listed

9th Grade

Editing an Application

Editing

Families may choose to edit applications after submitting them. They can do this before the final application deadline. Here's how:

First, you would select 'Edit' on the desired application section from the child's Application Card on the Dashboard.

Application ID #: 19949 [Edit Child Profile](#)

Celia O'Neill
9th Grade Application

CTECS
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Edit
Opt-Out

Application Submitted!

Last submission at: 10:10:13 am 11/9/2021

Editing + Saving

After a change is made, **you must save this change** by selecting the 'Re-submit Application' buttons after your change is made.

The image shows two screenshots from a web application. The top screenshot, titled "Rank Celia's School Selections", displays a list of schools: E. C. Goodwin Technical High School, Howell Cheney Technical High School, and A. I. Prince Technical High School. A modal dialog box is overlaid on the screen, asking "We noticed you made changes to this application. Would you like to re-submit?" with "Cancel" and "Yes, re-submit" buttons. An orange arrow points from the "Yes, re-submit" button to the bottom screenshot. The bottom screenshot shows the "Celia's CTECS Selections" page with a list of three schools and a "Re-Submit this Application" button at the bottom right. Another orange arrow points from this button to the right.

Rank Celia's School Selections

Please rank your school selections in order of preference. You may change the rank order by clicking on the arrow next to the school name or drag and drop the school in the order you prefer. Click the "X" to eliminate the school from your selections.

E. C. Goodwin Technical High School

Howell Cheney Technical High School

A. I. Prince Technical High School

Next

Celia's CTECS Selections

Reminder - Many of the CTECS schools have "placement priorities" that are used in the placement process for an applicant's FIRST CHOICE CTECS school. These priorities do not guarantee a placement but they may increase the likelihood that an applicant will receive a placement.

Check the School cards on the [Search and Select](#) page to see which priorities apply to your CTECS School selections.

Here is a reminder of your CTECS school choices in order of preference.

- 1 E. C. Goodwin Technical High School
- 2 Howell Cheney Technical High School
- 3 A. I. Prince Technical High School

Re-Submit this Application

Extra Information: Understanding Priorities



Placement Priorities and Pathways

The RSCO placement process may use one or more of these priorities in determining placement offers and waitlist status, although application of such priorities vary from time to time and depend on the availability of seats.

Open Choice Applicant	Magnet School Applicant	CTECS
Applicant Sibling	Employee/Staff or College Student	Alumni/Graduate
Enrolled Sibling	Enrolled Sibling	Applicant Sibling
Residential Zone	Hartford Residential Neighborhood	CTECS Early Application
Open Choice Only	Residential Zone	CTECS Only
	Partner District	Employee/Staff
	Pathway	Enrolled Sibling

Priority Alumni/Graduate

Priority may be given to an applicant who has a parent/legal guardian, sibling, or other immediate relative who graduated from a technical high school operated by the Connecticut Technical and Education and Career System (CTECS).

Priority CTECS Early Application

Applicants entering 9th grade may apply to the technical high schools by January 10, 2022 and receive early notification of a technical high school placement opportunity in February 2022.

Priority CTECS Only

Applicants selecting the Technical High Schools as their only option may receive priority based on available seats.

Priority Employee/Staff or College Student

Employees of magnet schools and Hartford Region technical high schools may receive priorities for their children at schools where they work. Employees of partner colleges and universities may receive priorities for their children at their partner magnet schools. Goodwin University college students may also receive a priority at their associated magnet schools. Priorities depend on seat availability at the respective schools.

Priority Enrolled Sibling

Priority may be given to a child who is applying to the same school that a brother or sister currently attend. The siblings must share at least one biological parent or legal guardian. The sibling that is already enrolled in the same school must continue to attend the same school or district in the following school year.

Priority

Hartford Residential Neighborhood

Priority may be given to an applicant based on how close the magnet school applicant lives to a nearby school that uses a neighborhood priority.

Priority Open Choice Only

Applicants selecting the Open Choice Program as their only option may receive priority based on available seats.

Priority Partner District

Applicants who live in a town that has a partnership agreement with a magnet school may be given priority based on available seats.

Priority Pathway

- Priority may be given to students coming from another magnet school for a limited number of seats.
- Some magnet schools offer a Pk through 12th grade experience through a shared theme and curriculum.
- Students attending a school with a direct pathway continuum from one magnet school to another receive the highest priority for placement at the direct pathway school's entry grade.
- To be considered for this direct pathway placement, families must submit an on-time RSCO online application with the Direct Pathway School as their first choice.

Priority Residential Zone

For Hartford Resident applicants to Open Choice: Placement offer is based on the applicant's residential address.

For Hartford Residents applying to Hartford Magnet Schools: Priority may be given to Hartford resident students living in specific Hartford school zones and applying to certain schools, as follows:

- Zone 1 and applying to Montessori Magnet at Annie Fisher School, STEM Magnet at Annie Fisher School, Webster MicroSociety Magnet School, Hartford PreKindergarten Magnet School, or Breakthrough Magnet School North
- Zone 2 and applying to Capital Preparatory Magnet School (Grades PK3–Grade 5 only)
- Zone 3 and applying to Breakthrough Magnet School South, Environmental Sciences Magnet at Hooker School, or Montessori Magnet at Batchelder School
- Zone 4 and applying to Kinsella Magnet School of the Performing Arts (PK4–8), or Betances Learning Lab Magnet School

Information regarding the residential zone is provided in the application, RSCO family guide and RSCO website, www.choiceeducation.org

Priority Applying Siblings/Twin/Multiples

Efforts are made to link applicants where two or more children share the same address and share at least one biological parent or legal guardian in order to increase the likelihood of placement together in the same school/district. Applicants must submit an application during the same application period (during on-time or during late) to the same schools/districts in the same order of preference.